4. (Amended) A process according to claim 1, wherein in step a) the reaction is carried out at a temperature in the range -20°C and +50°C by using, with respect to the hydroxybenzylalcohol moles under reaction, an amount by moles respectively of acid halide (I-A) in the range between 1 and 2, preferably between 1.2 and 1.5 and an amount by moles of base in the range between 0.1 and 2, preferably between 0.5 and 2.

REMARKS

Claims 1-7 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 3 and 4 are amended to correct the multiple dependencies thereof and to place this application into better condition for examination. No new matter has been added.

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- 3. (Amended) A process according to [claims 1-2] <u>claim 1</u>, wherein in step a) the organic solvents are C₁-C₄ aliphatic alcohols; aromatic hydrocarbons, aliphatic esters, chlorinated organic solvents, aliphatic and cycloaliphatic ketones.
- 4. (Amended) A process according to [claims from 1 to 3] <u>claim 1</u>, wherein in step a) the reaction is carried out at a temperature in the range -20°C and +50°C by using, with respect to the hydroxybenzylalcohol moles under reaction, an amount by moles respectively of acid halide (I-A) in the range between 1 and 2, preferably between 1.2 and 1.5 and an amount by moles of base in the range between 0.1 and 2, preferably between 0.5 and 2.